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1. In August 1953, the VaM von Ossietzky HFT-Werk fuer Bauelemente der Nachrichtentechnik (Dralowid-Werk) at Teltow employed a total of 985 persons including 110 assigned to the development department. The workshops of the enterprise had a total floor space of 11,000 square meters; open-air storage facilities covered an area of 10,000 square meters.

2. The 1954 production plan of the enterprise envisaged the manufacture of 23,700,000 component parts for telecommunications equipment valued at 7,000,000 (units of account). The 1954 production plan generally agreed with that of the preceding year. Both plans had been approved by the Ministry of Engineering (MaM) in the form suggested by the plant. In January 1954, the plant received major export orders which necessitated an expansion of its production plan. The modifications of the plan were to be discussed at the MaM in January 1954. The 1953 production plan had been fulfilled 100 percent in the first half of the year.

3. In June and July 1952, photographs were taken of all machinery, technical facilities, blueprints and plans, and then forwarded to Poland through the East German Ministry of Engineering. In April and May 1953, the same records were prepared a second time, allegedly, for use by Red China. Prior to late February 1954, plans of the entire plant had to be transmitted in triplicate to the MaM. A liaison officer of the Ministry appeared at the works every 4 weeks.

4. In November 1953, five employees of the Dralowid Werk were selected for employment in China and given a medical check-up as to their physical fitness for work in China. These employees were Dr Falter, chief of the Research and Development Department; Bennewitz, chief designer of this department; Voigt, Hauptdispatcher (business clerk of undetermined assignment); Urban, accountant; and Frau Otto.

5. In November 1953, source learned that grinding machines required for the manufacture of resistors were exported by the firm of Schmid to the USSR from where they were re-exported to China. Automatic grinding machines as developed by the firm of Elmok, so-called Mega-sets (?), were also shipped to the USSR. These machines were manufactured at the firm of Kieswetter in Leipzig and at an undetermined plant in Zittau. They were assembled at the Dralowid Werk.

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6. The only customer of the Dralowidwerk which was very strict as to the quality of the component units furnished by the Dralowidwerk was the Sachsenwerk Plant at Radeberg. The Sachsenwerk Plant laid down the technical specifications for the metalized resistors to be furnished by the Dralowidwerk.

7. The iron powder required for the manufacture of high frequency iron was furnished by the Leuna Works at Bitterfeld, the brass sheets required for resistors by the Rolling Mill at Bettstedt, and porcelain parts by the firm of Henna in Pankow.[1]

8. In early 1953, about half of the metalized resistors could not be sold and had, therefore, to be stored. No foreign orders were received except for export orders for Red China. Since the East German radio engineering plants had to curtail their production because of a shortage of materials, domestic orders for the Dralowid Werk also decreased. On the other hand, orders for Panthem [2] - and wire resistors were sent above all to the following enterprises: AT Apparate-Werk Treptow; Werk HF, Berlin-Oberschoeneweide; Firma Wauert, Halle; Sachsenwerk, Radeberg; Fernmeldewerk Leipzig; Fernmeldewerk Dresden; Funkwerk Dabendorf; Sternradio Berlin; Sternradio Rochlitz; Sternradio Stassfurt.[3]

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1. Not further identified by source.
2. As received.
3. Two miniature resistors have been assigned Soviet item NRS. 2231 and 2232.
4. Ministerium fuer Allgemeinen Maschinenbau.